

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Hideo SUGIMORI

Serial No. 10/690,584

Group Art Unit: 3624

Confirmation No. 6740

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Examiner: Mansfield, Thomas L.

For: OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT POLICY DISTRIBUTING METHOD, OPERATIONS  
MANAGEMENT POLICY DISTRIBUTING APPARATUS, AND OPERATIONS  
MANAGEMENT POLICY DISTRIBUTING PROGRAM

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 24, 2009, and having a period for response set to expire on October 24, 2009.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.